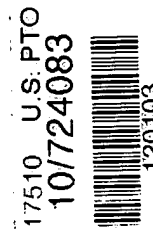


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Title: COMPOSITION FOR DYEING KERATIN FIBERS,  
COMPRISING AT LEAST ONE DIALDEHYDE  
HETEROCYCLIC COMPOUND AND AT LEAST  
ONE NITROGEN COMPOUND

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1. Application - 24 pages, including title page and abstract, and including 3 independent claims and 29 claims total.
2. Information Data Sheet (2 pgs.).
3. Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (3 pgs.)/Form PTO 1449/French Search Report (3 pgs.)/Documents (11).
4. Claim for Priority/Certified copy of French Patent Application No. 02 15058, filed November 29, 2002.
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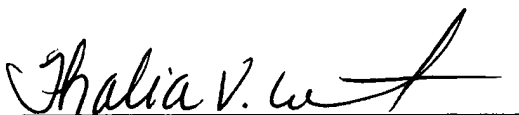
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